

Academic Vocab Word List

Definition	Example
Compare: to say how something is similar to something else.	
Contrast: to show how things are different	
Demonstrate: to prove something by showing examples	
Explain: to show the reason or cause for something	
Support: to provide evidence for something	
Develop: to make an argument easier to understand by giving more information	
Infer: to form an opinion based on facts	
Interpret: to explain the the meaning of something	
Summarize: to tell again in fewer words	
Analyze: to study something closely or carefully: to learn the nature and relationship of the parts of something through close examination	